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In response to the Notice To File Corrected Application Papers mailed February 27, 2001, attached please find a substitute specification and substitute drawings which we believe to be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52 and 37 CFR 1.84, respectively.

It is believed that no fee is currently due in this matter. However, if a fee is due for this filing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee required to Account No. 06-2425.

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- A substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52 because:
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